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January 2026

Dear Parent / Guardians,

Option Choices 2025-26

I am sure you will agree that this is an exciting time in your son / daughter's education, where he / she is in the process of completing their year 7 to 9 education and preparing for the start of their GCSE courses in years 10 and 11.

As part of this preparation, your son / daughter will be required to choose their option choices. This involves choosing three subjects that they will study at GCSE level during years 10 and 11.

Over the next few weeks, your son / daughter will receive plenty of advice and guidance to ensure that this option process is as smooth as possible and culminates in them choosing their preferred subjects to study in the next phase of their education.

To assist you with these choices, please be aware of and access the Options Booklet and Options Presentations on the school website.

Please visit <https://www.ysgolbrynalyn.co.uk> then access **Curriculum > Options Process**. You will find the following information / presentations:

1. Introduction / Overview

outlining the option process, key dates, and appropriate advice.

2. Options Booklet

outlining the available courses and handy tips / information.

3. Google Form Presentation

outlining how to choose the **three 1st choices** and **three reserve choices** via the Google 'Options' Form.

In addition to the option choice information on the school website, the school's **Careers Officer, Mrs Mandy Williams** is available to answer any questions or queries. Please see Mrs Williams' contact details overleaf if you would like to make an appointment.



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Electronic Option Choice Form

To enable your son / daughter to choose their 3 option choices and 3 reserve choices, on the **26th January 2026**, each parent / guardian / carer will receive a text with a link to their child's individual electronic option choice form. Please submit this completed electronic form by no later than the **13th February 2026***.

** Please ensure that this deadline is adhered to as a late submission may place a pupil at risk of not gaining their preferred choices.*

Individual Option Pathways

Not all pathways are suitable for each pupil to achieve their potential. As such, the school has recommended specific Option Pathways for each individual pupil. These pathways have been produced taking into consideration a variety of factors such as previous attainment, attitude within subject areas, projected targets and assessment methods.

Key Dates

26th January 2026 – Individual Electronic Option Form issued

4th February 2026 – Options Evening. 3.30pm to 6.00pm in the top hall. Subject staff will be available to discuss qualifications and offer advice.

13th February 2026 – Electronic Google Option Form hand-in deadline

Useful Contact Details

Mr Cris Hughes, Head of Year 9 - HughesC16@hwbcymru.net
Mrs Mandy Williams Careers Officer - mandy.williams@careerswales.gov.wales
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If you require any additional information regarding any part of the options process then please do not hesitate to contact Mr Cris Hughes, Head of Year 9, in the first instance.

Yours sincerely



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